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DGS Prepares Capitol Square for Construction of Women's Monument Plaza

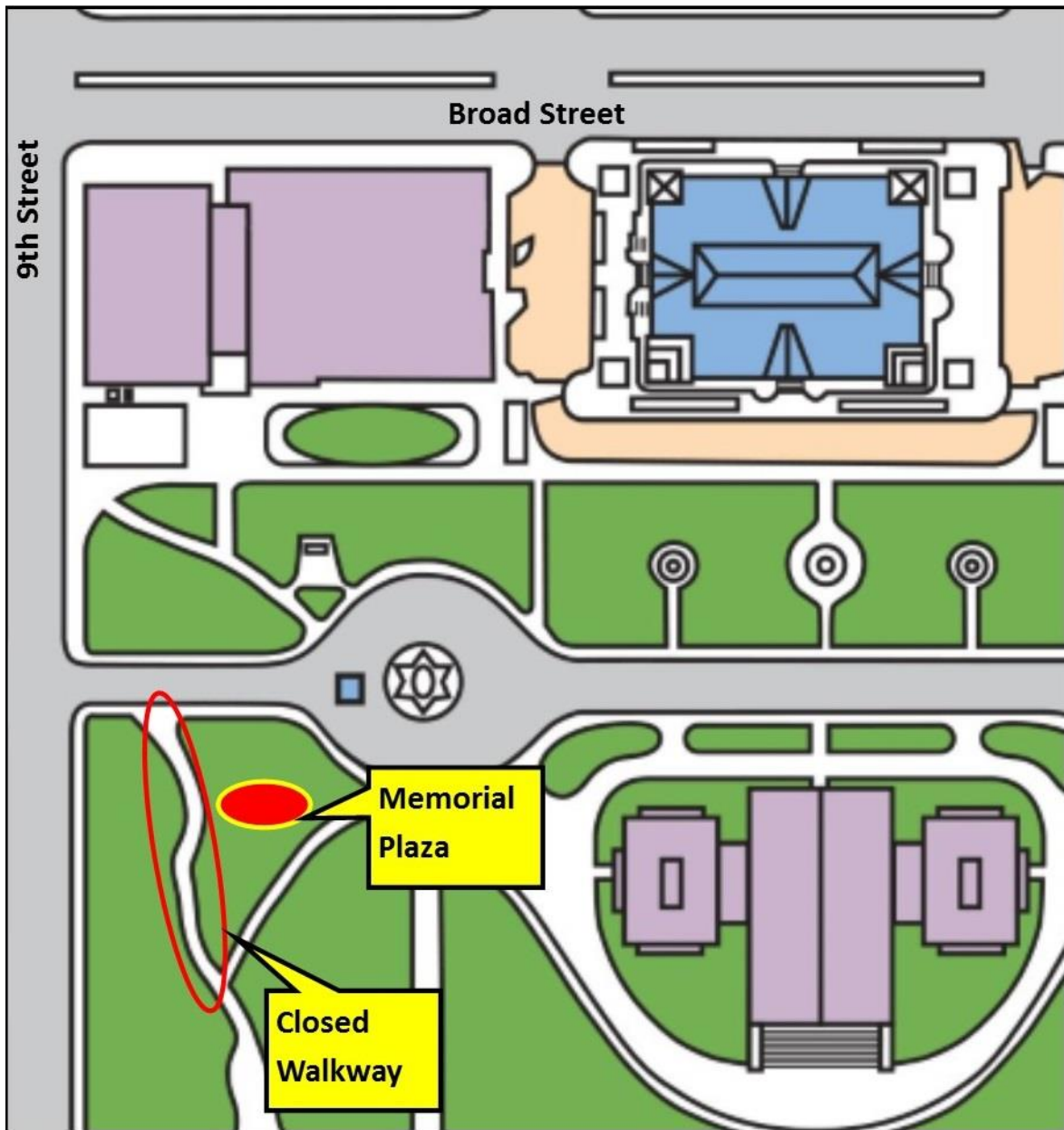
~ Plaza construction to be complete in Fall 2018 ~

RICHMOND, VA – The Department of General Services announced today that is preparing Capitol Square for construction of the Virginia Women's Monument Memorial Plaza, which is scheduled to begin next month and run through the fall.

The Women's Monument Commission chose to build the monument, called *Voices from the Garden*, on the west side of the Capitol south of the George Washington Equestrian Monument. The first phase of the monument is the construction of the Memorial Plaza.

Mobilization for construction will begin on June 4. The walkway to the west of the monument will be closed for delivery of materials and for adjustments to provide an accessible entry to the plaza. A temporary fence will be erected around the site. A magnolia tree planted in honor of former Secretary of Health and Human Resources Howard M. Cullum was moved to accommodate the construction.

For more information on the monument, visit the Women's Monument Commission website at <http://womensmonumentcom.virginia.gov/>. See the map below for location information.



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